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CENTRAL PLANNING STAFF

PLANNING DIRECTIVE 3 a

SUBJECT: Disposition of USSBS Files

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1. With respect to the USSBS problem, the action outlined below was suggested to Admiral Souers by [REDACTED] this morning. The Admiral approved.

2. Action will be taken as follows:

a. The Intelligence Branch will prepare a letter for the Director's signature, offering to accept custody of the USSBS files from Mr. d'Olier upon receipt of the index referred to below. The letter will request that the index of file materials be furnished in multiple copies, if possible, sufficient for distribution to interested Government agencies.

b. When the index is received, the Intelligence Branch will prepare an appropriate circular memorandum, for the Director's signature, furnishing the index to the proper interested agencies, and requesting them to indicate which parts of the materials they wish to have retained for future reference. After replies are received from these agencies, the Intelligence Branch will submit further recommendation. (It is contemplated that portions of the file which have no further use should be destroyed, and that other parts should be sent to the National Archives under suitable arrangements for accessibility.)

c. The Intelligence Branch will prepare a recommendation from the Chief, Central Planning Staff, to the Director of Central Intelligence, providing suitable CIG action to have the files held in proper custody in the interim period until the final solution.

FOR THE ACTING CHIEF, CENTRAL PLANNING STAFF:

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Acting Deputy Chief, Central Planning Staff

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